

SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
U.S. Application No.: 10/067,266
Attorney Docket No.: Q63212

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3, 5, 7 to 11, 13 to 16, 18, 20 and 21 are all the claims pending in the application.

The present amendment is in response to telephone conversations with the Examiner on February 17, 2006 and February 22, 2006.

The Examiner called undersigned counsel on February 17, 2006 to advise that the application would be allowed if claim 11 was amended to correct a typographical error, and if claims 13 and 18 were amended to change "an entire" to --the entire--. Undersigned counsel authorized the Examiner to make these changes by Examiner's Amendment.

On February 22, 2006, the Examiner called to advise that she was withdrawing her previous indication of allowable subject matter in view of a newly discovered document which the Examiner identified as U.S. Published Patent Application 2003/0091891. Undersigned counsel requested that the Examiner reopen prosecution, but she declined to do so and stated that the Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 filed on January 11, 2006 would be refused entry because of the typographical error.

Applicants have now corrected the typographical error in claim 11, and have amended claims 13 and 18 in the manner proposed by the Examiner on February 17, 2006. Applicants request the Examiner to reopen prosecution if she believes that the '891 publication raises a question of patentability of the claims.

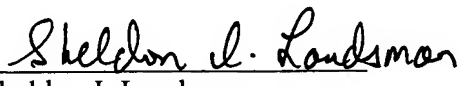
In view of the above, reconsideration of this application is now believed to be in order. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or

SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
U.S. Application No.: 10/067,266
Attorney Docket No.: Q63212

telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,


Sheldon I. Landsman
Registration No. 25,430

SUGHRUE MION, PLLC
Telephone: (202) 293-7060
Facsimile: (202) 293-7860

WASHINGTON OFFICE

23373

CUSTOMER NUMBER

Date: February 24, 2006